

Board Meeting Minutes January 10, 2022

1. Meeting called to order (0:09)

The first meeting of the Pension Review Board (PRB) was called to order Monday, January 10, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. in the Reagan Building, room 120, 1400 Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas, 78701.

2. Roll call of board members (0:18)

Board members present:

Chair Stephanie Leibe
Vice Chair Keith Brainard, via videoconference
Marcia Dush ,via videoconference
Christopher "Chris" Gonzales, via videoconference
Robert "Rob" Ries, via videoconference
Christopher Zook, via videoconference

A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order by Chair Leibe.

3. Board administrative matters (2:08)

a. November 2, 2021, meeting minutes

Chair Leibe entertained a motion to suspend the reading of minutes of the August 30, 2021, meeting and approve them as circulated.

The motion was made by Mr. Zook and seconded by Mr. Brainard.

The motion passed unanimously.

4. Discuss and consider procedure to hire an executive director (3:09)

a. Executive Director's letter of resignation

Chair Leibe noted that Executive Director, Anumeha Kumar, had accepted a position with Austin Firefighters Relief & Retirement Fund as executive director and that Ms. Kumar's resignation was effective February 28, 2022.

Ms. Kumar read a brief statement expressing her appreciation of the PRB members and staff.

Chair Leibe entertained a motion to accept the executive director's letter of resignation.

The motion was made by Ms. Dush and seconded by Mr. Gonzales.

The motion passed unanimously.

b. Appointment of and direction to the acting or interim executive director

Chair Leibe appointed Amy Cardona, PRB Director of Programs and Services, as interim executive director, effective March 1, 2022. Ms. Kumar noted she would work with Ms. Cardona to ensure a smooth transition.

c. Creation of and direction to a nominating committee for the search and appointment of the executive director

Chair Leibe entertained a motion to appoint an Executive Search Committee consisting of herself, Vice Chair Keith Brainard, and Christopher Gonzales. The committee will coordinate with staff to finalize and post the job vacancy, evaluate applications submitted by qualified applicants, interview the number of applicants the committee determines is appropriate, and refer one, two, or three finalists to the full board for follow-up interviews.

The motion was made by Mr. Zook and seconded by Mr. Ries.

The motion passed unanimously.

5. Call for future PRB agenda items (13:05)

There were no calls for future agenda items.

6. Date and location on next PRB meeting (13:44)

Chair Leibe stated the next board meeting would take place February 24, 2022, at the same location.

7. Invitation for public comment (14:14)

There were no comments from the public.

8. Adjournment (14:35)

The meeting was adjourned at 10:14 a.m.

PRB staff in attendance:

Anumeha Kumar

David Fee

Mariah Miller

Westley Allen

Amy Cardona

Robert Munter

Madilyn Jarman

Bryan Burnham

Ashley Rendon

Lindsay Seymour

Chair Stephanie Leibe